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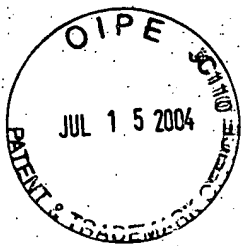
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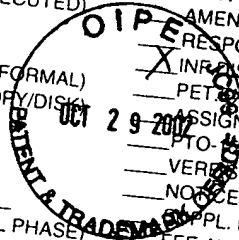
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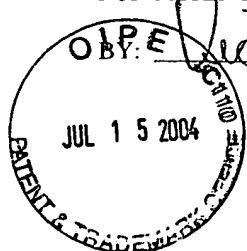
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

It is requested that the enclosed reference listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO/SB/08A be considered by the Patent Examiner in connection with the above-identified application and be made of record therein.

Certification Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1)

I hereby certify that the enclosed reference was first cited in a Communication dated August 12, 2002 from the Taiwanese Patent Office concerning counterpart Taiwan Application No. 90124087, not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

Independent consideration and acknowledgment of the enclosed reference are respectfully requested.

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